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CHECKSUM INTO A NETWORK MESSAGE"

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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir,

In response to Examiner's Ferris's telephonic request of January 28, 2005,

Applicants respond as follows.

The **Specification** is amended as set forth starting on page 2 of this
Amendment.

There are no amendments to the claims.

The **Remarks** begin on page 3 of this Amendment.